Declining trend in Oil Production

1379. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that oil production at the various centres in the country has gone down at present ;

(b) what were the targets of I.O.C., B.P.C., H.P.C., etc. during the year 1985-86, 1986-87 and 1988-89 and what was the actual production during the said period indicating also the production targets for 1990-91 of each company ; and

(c) what are the reasons for present shortage/downfall in oil production in the country and the steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government to augment the oil production so as to reduce foreign import bill on this account ?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY) : (a) No Sir. The Crude oil production of the country has been on increase over the years. The total crude oil production during 1989-90 was about 34·08 MMT as compared to 32·04 MMT during 1988-89. The target for crude oil production in the year 1990-91 has been kept at 35·90 MMT, including NGL/Condensate.

(b) IOC, BPC, HPC etc. mentioned in the Question are not engaged in crude oil production. Crude oil production is done by ONGC and OIL. The year-wise target and achievements of these organisations, put together, are given below for the last 5 years :

Year	Targets	Actual (MMT)
1985-86 . . .	30.14	30.17
1986-87 . . .	30.21	30.48
1987-88 . . .	30.46	30.36
1988-89 . . .	32.18	32.04
1989 90 . . .	34.31	34.03
1990-91 . . .	32.9*	10.43 (April July)

*(Includes 35.02 MMT of crude and 0.88 MMT of NGL/Condensate)

(c) A number of steps including approval of new projects, are being taken to step up the indigenous crude oil production.

Grant of foreign collaborations for making toys and dolls

1380. SHRI DIPEN GHOSH : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) how many foreign collaborations have been granted for manufacture of toys and dolls ;

(b) what has been the outgo of foreign exchange on this account ;

(c) what has been the foreign exchange earnings ; and

(d) what are the reasons for grating these foreign collaborations ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH) : (a) Since 1985, Government has accorded approval for six Foreign Collaboration proposals for manufacture of Toys, Educational and Scientific Aides.

(b) As per the terms of approval granted in the above proposals, a total amount of US $ 1,74,750 (net of taxes) is involved towards the payment of technical know-how fee. The terms of approval also include payment of royalty ranging between 3% to 5% subject to taxes for a period of five years subject to the standard conditions governing the payment of royalty. Further the approvals also provide for payment of rent at the rate of 1% to 1·5% subject to taxes based on the c.i.f. cost of the moulds per month imported by the individual companies.

(c) The total estimated foreign exchange earnings based on the f.o.b. value of exports, as given by the companies, involved in the above proposals will be about Rs. 3878·70 lakhs.

(d) Such collaborations have been accorded, considering the need for manufacturing toys on modern lines which have educational and scientific value.

Violation of the reservation rules for Small Scale Sector by the BATA Company

1381. SHRI PRAVAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that 'BATA' company is manufacturing and selling leather shoes and a shoe in the brand name of 'Adidas' in the domestic market by violating the reservation rules for the Small Scale Sector ; and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken to stop this practice ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH) : (a) BATA India are not manufacturing any leather shoes branded 'Adidas'. However, BATA India Ltd. have licenced capacity to manufacture leather footwear at their own factories to the extent of 14·6 million pairs per annum.

(b) In view of (a) above does not arise.

Exploration of oil in India by foreign countries

1382. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA :

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA :

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have decided to invite foreign countries for oil exploration in the country ;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government did not succeed in its earlier efforts in wooing the foreign oil companies to explore for oil in the country ; and

(d) if so, what are the details in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY) : (a) and (b) The question of inviting foreign companies for oil exploration in a fourth round of bidding is under consideration of Government. There have been three rounds of such bidding earlier.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. During the First Round of bidding contract with one foreign oil company for one offshore block was signed, and